

# Indian Health Care Improvement Fund

**Status Report  
and  
Plans for FY2001**



## Interim Decision in 2000

- **\$10m IHCIF allocated in 2000**
- **\$9m by formula to units below 60% LNF**
- **\$1m by CHS formula (not CHS \$ however)**
- **Non-Recurring – reallocate in 2001 with updated data and formula**
- **Instructions to refine formula and conduct additional consultation**



\$30 Million IHCIF in 2000

**\$30 million new 2001** 

**\$10 million in 2000**

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**= \$40 million for allocation**



## Congressional Directives in 2001

- Use LNF methodology --  
“target the most under-funded”
- NEW** ■ No set-aside for alternate formula
- Continue to refine the formula
- NEW** ■ “urge” establishing minimum allocation for recipient units
- NEW** ■ Report to House & Senate committees before finalizing allocations
- NEW** ■ Use LNF approach for “equity investigations”



# Plans to update the formula

## **Update Updated Data**

- ❖ User Counts
- ❖ FY 2000 IHS funding allowances

## **Update LNF work group to refine formula for:**

- ❖ Health status disparities
- ❖ Varying health care prices
- ❖ Other resources

## **Update 2001 allocations will differ somewhat from interim 2001 results because of new data and formula refinements**



# Proposals for Consultation



**Area LNF/IHCIF contacts to supplement HQ contacts**

- **Intensive training for area contacts in LNF/IHCIF**
- **Area contacts attend LNF workgroup meetings and consultation meetings**
- **Area contacts offer additional point to consult on FY 2001 IHCIF**



# Proposals for Consultation



## **3 first round consultation meetings**

- **Regional locations - east/middle/west**
- **December & early January**
- **Each is open to all tribes**
- **HQ and area contacts will attend**
- **Explore IHCIF/LNF in detail, gather and discuss views, develop recommendations**

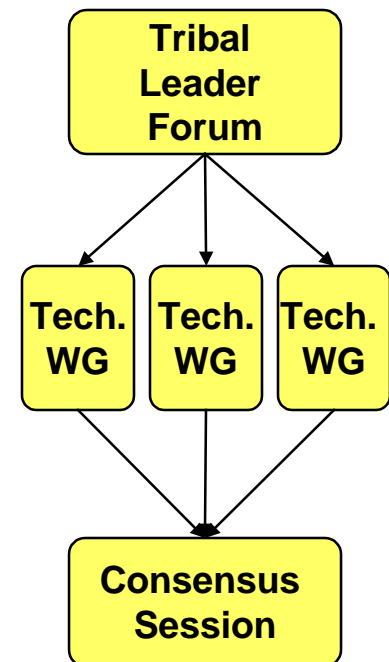


# Proposals for Consultation



**National LNF/IHCIF consultation meeting in late Jan. or early Feb.**

- **Presentation & discussion of round 1 recommendations**
- **Tribal leader forum**
- **Breakouts for technical workgroups**
- **Report back and synthesis**
- **Develop national recommendations**







# IHCIF Policy Decision

- **Will Consider:**
  - ❖ round 1 recommendations
  - ❖ national synthesis recommendations
  - ❖ recommendations from individual tribes
  - ❖ law and directives of Congress
- **Brief Congress in February**
- **Final decision on IHCIF Policy**
- **Allocate IHCIF in March**